

FAQ

MUSAE Second Open Call for STARTS Residencies

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1. HOW TO APPLY

- **Q:** *How do I apply for the call?*

A: Follow these 3 steps:

- o Step 1: Register in the platform [FundingBox | We champion entrepreneurs to rewrite their future](#)
- o Step 2: Go to the following [MUSAE Second Open Call \(fundingbox.com\)](#)
- o Step 3: Complete and submit the application.

- **Q:** *Can I Still fine-tune the application in the upcoming days, or if this is final and seen as submitted?*

A: You can modify your application until the submission deadline 14th of May 2024, at 13:00 CET. After the deadline, you cannot modify or submit a proposal.

2. PROPOSAL

- **Q:** *Is it necessary for SMEs to have prior experience with the technology they use when creating the prototype?*

A: The SMEs have to describe the current technology readiness level (TRL) of the proposed tech, tool, or application, or the SMEs have to describe how they envision getting access to the technology(ies) (e.g. subcontracting, etc.)

- **Q:** *Is it necessary for artists to define their budgets precisely, even though they are not aware of the expected outcomes yet?*

A: The partner should define the following cost categories: Direct Costs (1. Personnel costs; 2. Purchase costs – including travel and subsistence, equipment, other goods, works, and services; 3. Other cost categories, including internally invoiced goods and services; 4. Subcontracting costs) and Indirect Costs (25%*1. Personnel costs + 2. Purchase costs + 3. Other costs categories, including internally invoiced goods and services)

- **Q:** *The final deliverable would involve developing a prototype.*

A: Yes, the aim is to Produce a prototype of TRL5 by moving from experimental proof of concepts (TRL 3 – Experimental Proof of concept) to validation in relevant environments (TRL 5 - Technology validated in a relevant environment, industrially relevant environment in the case of key enabling technologies). In this sense, eligible activities include: concept design; prototyping; dissemination; and management.

3. PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

- **Q:** *When exactly is the introduction week in September?*

A: The dates are still not defined due to the open call still being open. When the evaluation process is finished, more information will be given.

- **Q:** *What is the art-driven method?*

A: This method is going to be implemented for the first time in our residency program. This method is the Design Future Method, which is a mix of design thinking and future methodologies with art thinking. Obviously, a professor will follow you throughout the entire residency